

Hunting and Trapping Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-05-20

Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska
August 24, 2020

Effective Date: 11:59 PM
August 26, 2020

Expiration Date: June 30, 2021
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska fall hunting season for Macomb caribou by Registration Permit Hunt RC835 in Unit 12, west of the Glenn Highway (Tok Cutoff) and south of the Alaska Highway, excluding the Tok River drainage, and in Unit 20D south of the Tanana River.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.025(7)(15), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR CARIBOU**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for hunting caribou in portions of Game Management Units 12 and 20D:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 12, that portion west of the Glenn Highway (Tok Cutoff) and south of the Alaska Highway, excluding the Tok River drainage		
1 bull by registration permit only	Aug. 10–Aug. 26	No open season.
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Units and Bag Limits (15)	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 20(D), that portion south of the Tanana River

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only

Aug. 10–Aug 26

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

No open season.

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All other caribou hunting regulations in Units 12 and 20 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

JUSTIFICATION:

The population of the Macomb caribou herd is approximately 1,100 to 1,400 animals. A conservative harvest quota of 60 bulls has been implemented for this herd to ensure that overharvest does not occur. The harvest quota is expected to be reached by the date and time of the closure.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner

By delegation to: Robert Schmidt
Robert Schmidt
Area Biologist

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